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SUBJECT: HOUPHOUET TRAVELS

1. PRESIDENT HOUPHOUET-BOIGNY TRAVELED QUIETLY TO GENEVA JAN. 27, RETURNING HOME EVENING JAN. 30. ONE IVORIAN OFFICIAL WHO JUST HAHPENED TO BE AT AIRPORT SUNDAY MORNING WAS SURPRISED TO SEE HOUPHOUET EMBARKING AND EVEN MORE SURPRISED TO READ NO SUBSEQUENT ANNOUNCEMENT IN PRESS OF HIS DEPARTURE. THIS FIRST TIME IN OFFICIAL'S MEMORY THAT HOUPHOUET HAS MADE TRIP IN COMPLETE SECRECY. THERE HAS BEEN NO MENTION OF IT IN MEDIA TO DATE, NOR DO WE SUSPECT MOST IVORIANS EVEN AWARE THAT TRIP OCCURRED. BELIEVE HE TRAVELED ONLY WITH HIS IMMEDIATE STAFF.

2. SWISS EMBOFF SAYS GOS UNDERSTANDS HOUPHOUET UNDERTOOK THE FAST TRIP FOR ROUTINE MEDICAL CHECK-UP. BY COINCIDENCE, EMBOFF DRIVING PAST HOUPHOUET'S HOME LATE JAN. 25 OBSERVED AMBULANCE PARKED OUTSIDE, WHICH MAY OR MAY NOT BE ROUTINE. (THERE WAS NONE EVENING JAN. 30 AFTER HOUPHOUET RETURNED.) EMBASSY KNOWS OF NO SPECIAL HEALTH PROBLEMS HOUPHOUET MAY BE HAVING; INDEED, HE LOOKED FINE WHEN WE LAST SAW HIM JAN. 25.

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3. WE WOULD THINK POSSIBILITY GOOD THAT HOUPHOUET SAW OLD FRIEND

BOURGUIBA DURING GENEVA STAY.
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